fund by adding instructions to H.R. 1868. The report language now reads, "The Committee strongly recommends that USAID honor its prior funding commitments to the Enterprise Funds at such funding levels as were originally announced by the Administration, agreed to by the Congress through the congressional notification process, and referenced in Grant Agreements between USAID and each of the Enterprise Funds. To this end, the Committee further recommends that any reductions in USAID funding for its "Eastern Europe and the Baltic States" and "N.I.S. accounts neither be applied to nor have any effect on USAID's funding of the Enterprise Funds."

The instructions conclude by saying that the Hungarian fund may receive additional funding, "... provided that other enterprise funds have been fully funded."

There were no further attempts within Committee, nor over the recent weeks that H.R. 1868 has been debated on the floor of the House of Representatives to change the funding of the Enterprise Funds. As the bill moves to the Senate for consideration, it is anticipated that Senator McConnell (R-KY), Chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Foreign Operations will support the Durbin language.

It is the hope of the Lithuanian-American Community, Inc. that USAID and the State Department will now take more seriouly their commitment to the Baltic American Enterprise Fund which provides loans to small and medium-sized private business in Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia.

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